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REMARKS

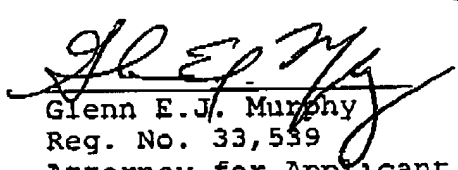
Claims 11-20 are pending and stand rejected as obvious over WO 98/24966 (Bolte) in view of U.S. 3,846,163 (Kest). Claim 11 has been amended to specify that the polyurethane prepolymer component a) contains less than 0.3% by weight of readily volatile isocyanate compounds. This limitation is described at page 9, line 5 of the specification and is not described or suggested in either Bolte or Kest, rendering all present claims patentable over these references as combined in the rejection. In addition, claim 20 has been amended to correct a minor informality.

In view of the amendments presented above, applicants ask for reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims. Applicants further ask for extension of the period for response three months to October 20, 2003 and authorize a charge to Deposit Account No. 01-1250 in the amount of \$930.00 for the extension fee. Order No. \_\_\_\_\_. Should any fees be due for entry and consideration of this Amendment that have not been accounted for, the Commissioner is authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 01-1250.

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